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) **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

For: **COTTON FIBER TRANSCRIPTIONAL
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Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed March 23, 1999, the time period for response having been extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Reconsideration and re-examination are requested.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to make the following amendments.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

Page 3, line 4, delete "Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA", insert--*Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*--.

Page 3, line 19, after "361," delete ":", insert---.

Page 4, line 16, delete "e.g.", insert--*e.g.*--.

Page 5, line 4, after "Ras", delete "which is", insert--members of which are--.

Page 5, line 5, after "members", insert--of--.

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